## Troopers Make Arrest in Nail Salon Robbery — Newark

**Newark** — The Delaware State Police have arrested 49 year old Jose Perez of Newark, in connection with the armed robbery of a Newark area nail salon that occurred Thursday afternoon.

On Thursday, February 14, 2019 at approximately 12:13 p.m., Troopers responded to the Best Nail Salon, located at 4615 Ogletown-Stanton Rd. in reference to an armed robbery that had just occurred. Upon arriving on scene Troopers determined that a male suspect, later identified as Perez, entered the business, confronted an employee while displaying a handgun and demanded money. After obtaining cash from the employee, Perez guided her around the business at gunpoint, and confronted three additional employees and three customers, demanding and receiving cash from all but two of them. None of the seven victims were injured as a result of the incident.

After obtaining the money Perez exited the business and was last seen fleeing the area on a bicycle. A detailed description of Perez' clothing and the bike were broadcast to assisting units who were canvassing the area. At approximately 1:51 p.m., a Trooper located Perez riding his bike on Harmony Rd., at which time he was taken in to custody without incident. Once in custody a search of Perez' person produced evidence further linking him to the robbery.

Perez was transported to Troop 2 where he was charged with 5 counts of Robbery 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, 2 counts of Attempted Robbery 1<sup>st</sup> Degree and a single count of Unlawful Imprisonment. He was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #2 and then committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in lieu of \$422,000.00 secured bail.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime

stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <a href="http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com">http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com</a>

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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